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The Classroom Assessment Materials

Background

The Classroom Assessment Materials Project (CAMP) was launched in 1994 in response to Alberta Education's goal of establishing and effectively communicating clear learning outcomes and high standards for each area of learning. As well, the project is a response to teachers' ongoing requests for high-quality assessment materials to use in their classrooms. CAMP also addresses the need for a common understanding of provincial standards that is frequently expressed by parents, teachers, school administrators, and other public spokespeople.

Although Alberta teachers and Alberta Education developed the Classroom Assessment Materials for teachers to use in Alberta's schools, educators from other provinces and countries have indicated that these materials have considerable potential for their jurisdictions.

Development

Alberta Education staff have worked closely with teachers from all over Alberta to design and develop the Classroom Assessment materials. A project advisory committee with representation from key education organizations, including the Alberta Teachers' Association, provided essential advice and direction for the overall shape and philosophy of the project. Teachers have contributed in numerous and invaluable ways. They have:

- selected resource material and data bases
- developed questions and activities
- validated materials
- offered their time and classrooms for field testing and pilot testing
- provided advice about administration and manageability
- served on revision committees
- provided advice regarding the articulation of expectations from grade to grade/course to course and across subjects
- written and revised scoring criteria
- selected examples of students' work and written commentaries about them
- confirmed that the standards represented and expressed in the final materials are appropriately demanding, faithful to *Program of Studies* expectations, and clearly expressed or illustrated.

Without the dedication and professionalism of Alberta teachers, this project would not have happened.

Purpose of the Classroom Assessment Materials

The Classroom Assessment Materials are summative assessment packages. They are designed to be used by classroom teachers to assess students' achievement of the learning outcomes specified in the *Program of Studies* relative to clearly stated standards.

The assessment activities in the CAMP materials are designed to be administered in a classroom setting at times that suit the needs of the teacher and her or his students. The materials are not suitable for any other assessment purpose (e.g., diagnostic assessment, pre-instruction assessment, evaluation of instructional practice, system-wide assessment, program evaluation, teacher evaluation), and therefore they may not be used for any purpose imposed by any authority external to the classroom.

Contents of Each Set of Classroom Assessment Materials

Each set of Classroom Materials contains three “documents”:

- a *Teacher Manual* with complete information about the assessment activities, their relation to the *Program of Studies*, the weighting of assessment components, statements of standards, and administration instructions including scoring criteria and details for calculating students’ marks
- complete *Student Materials*—all of the information, tests, and booklets that students will need for each component
- *Examples of Students’ Responses* that show actual student work in relationship to the scoring criteria, along with explanatory commentary

For each grade, subject, and/or course, there are several assessment components that work together to provide teachers and parents with a broadly based portrait of a student’s achievement of the expectations for students learning at the end of that grade/course.

Each set of assessment materials includes a variety of activities—selected-response questions, short written-answer questions, extended writing activities, performance tasks such as lab experiments, problem-solving activities, and oral presentations. All activities are designed to interest students and to be of direct and practical use for teachers. All are directly related to learning outcomes from the *Program of Studies*.

Effective Use of the Classroom Assessment Materials

Teachers may use the Classroom Assessment Materials whenever they want to find out about a student’s performance in relation to set standards for the end of that grade/subject/course. The materials were developed with the following questions in mind:

- What knowledge, skills, and attitudes should a student have firmly in place before he or she moves to the next grade or course?
- How well should students completing the learning outcomes for a particular grade/subject/course do what is expected of them?
- What does acceptable work for a grade/subject/course look like?
- What does excellent work for a grade/subject/course look like?

Teachers may administer the components in whatever order suits their classroom assessment needs; however, the components are designed to be used together. Only the complete set of assessment activities will provide a portrait of how well a student has met the standards for that grade/subject/course. Teachers may photocopy the materials as their needs require.

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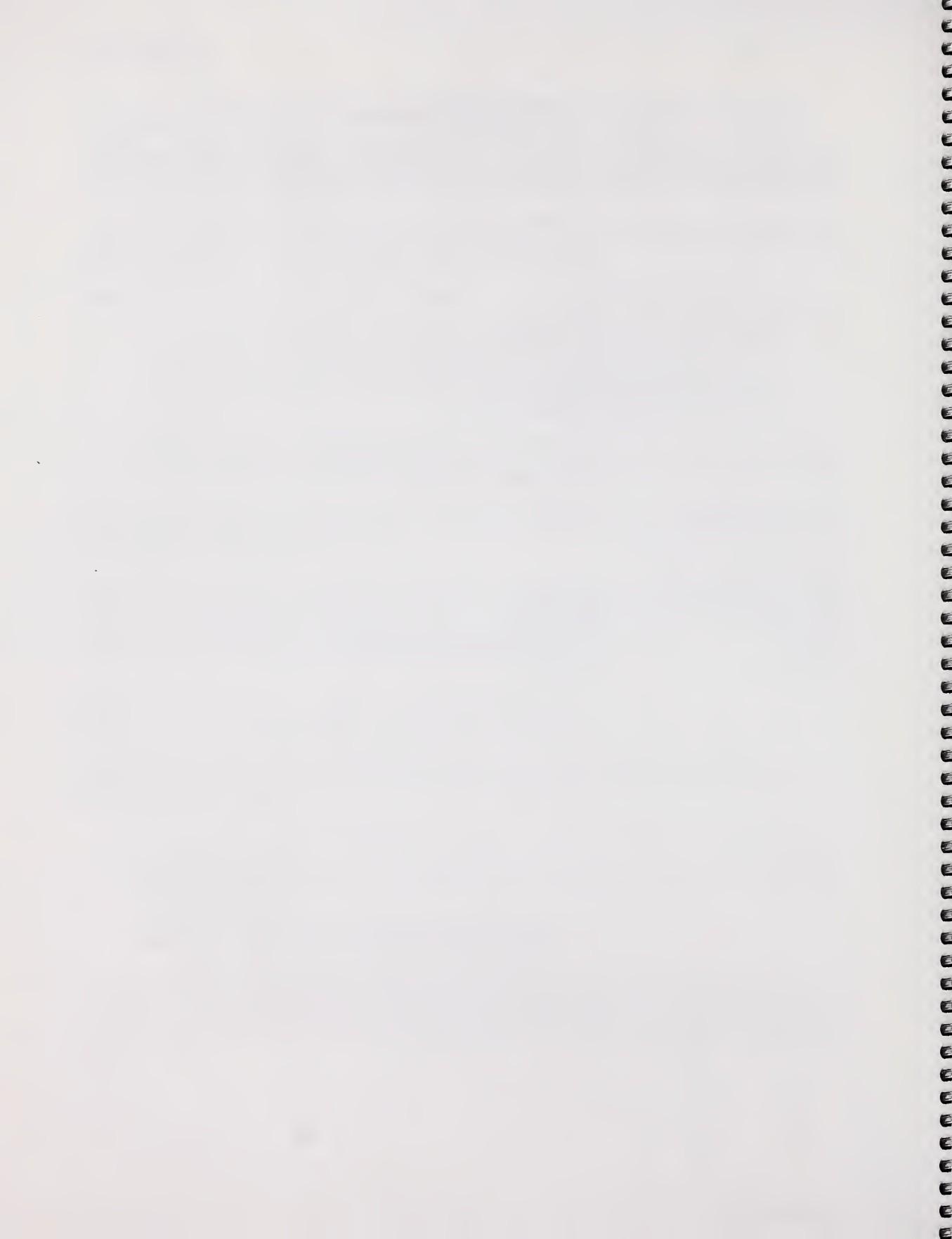
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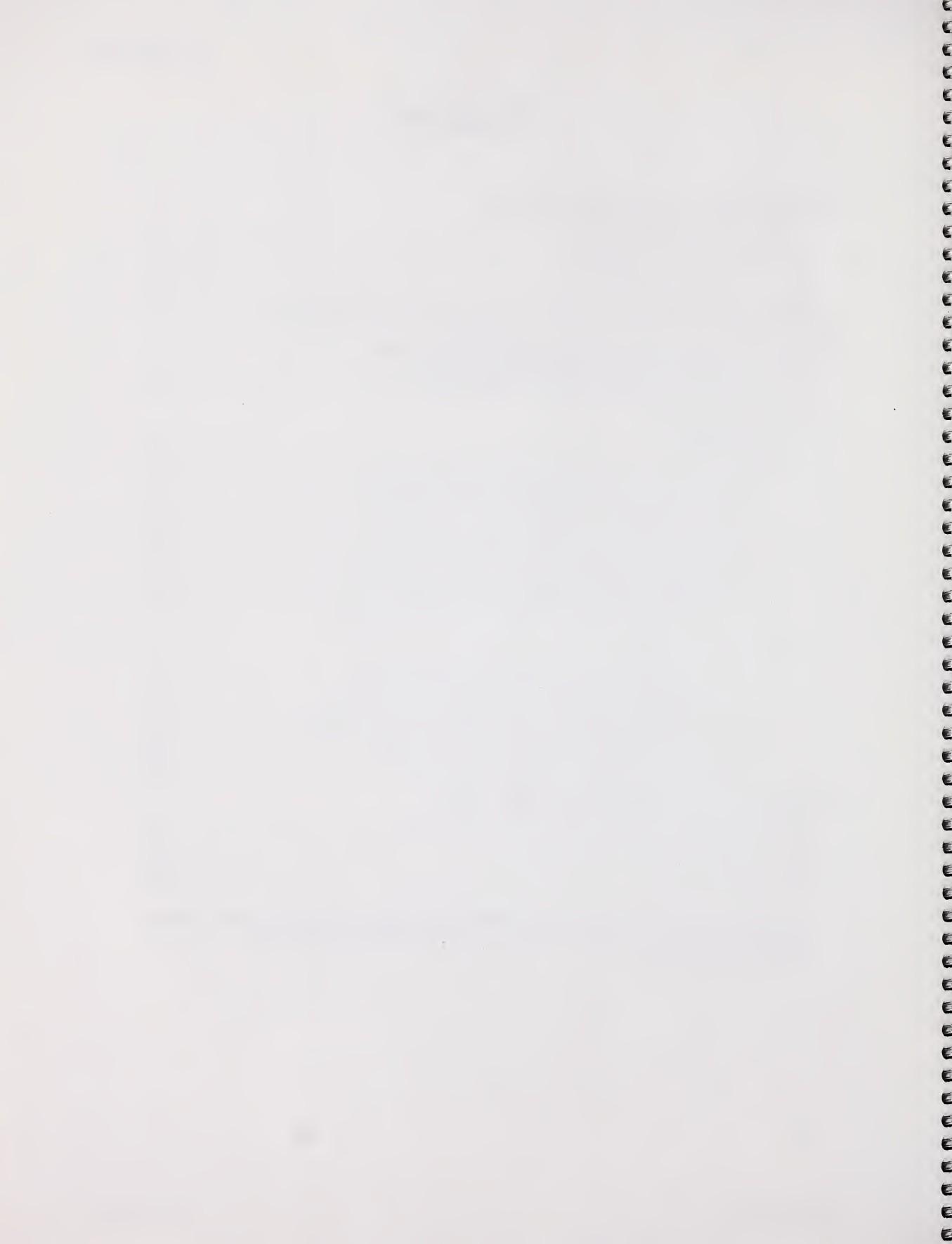
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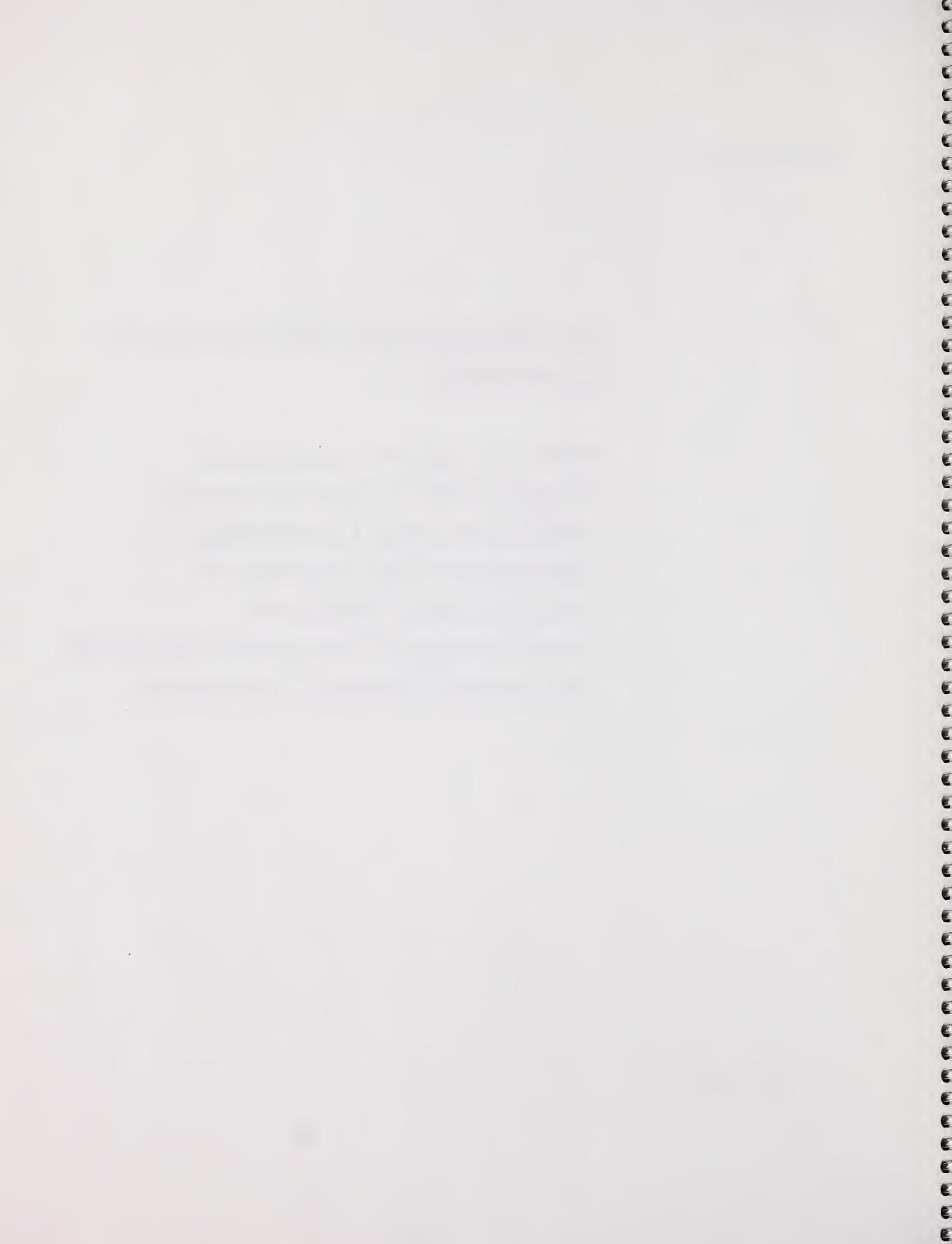
In addition to this *Teacher Manual*, the Mathematics 24 Classroom Assessment Materials include a complete set of *Student Materials* and *Examples of Students' Responses*.



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Overview of the Assessment

The NCTM *Assessment Standards for School Mathematics* (1995) states that:

- multiple sources of assessment information should be used to evaluate student progress in mathematics
- there is a shift in the vision of learning mathematics toward investigating, formulating, representing, reasoning, and applying a variety of strategies to the solution of problems
- there is a shift in the role of teachers toward “questioning and listening” and away from “telling” students what to do
- there is a shift in the vision of evaluation toward a system based on evidence from multiple sources

In keeping with this vision, the assessment tasks in this package range from an end-of-course exam including selected-response questions and problem-solving, written-response questions, to tasks that are *performance-based*. The performance assessment provides students with an opportunity to demonstrate their understanding of the mathematical process more fully than they are able to on the end-of-course exam.

Type of Assessment	Part/ Activity	Time	Mark Allocation	Total Marks
End-of-Course Exam	Selected Response Written Response	2 h	36 20	56
Performance Assessment	3 contexts: Best Buy for Soft Drinks Budget for Car Expenses Designing a Floor Plan	1.5 h	8 8 8	24
TOTAL		3.5 h		80

Components of the Assessment

The Mathematics 24 assessment consists of the following components:

- an end-of-course exam consisting of 36 selected-response and four written-response questions
- a performance assessment, which consists of three tasks, designed to be completed by students individually

Definitions and Terminology

Standard

The Alberta Education *Course of Studies* for Mathematics 24 is defined by the learner expectations, what the student is expected to know and be able to do.

A *standard* is a reference point used in planning and evaluation. A standard defines the quality of a performance, product, or service that is considered acceptable, or that is considered to be excellent.

In evaluating educational performance, the following forms of standards apply:

- *curriculum and assessments standards* apply to the assessment of individual students
- *achievement standards* apply to the assessment of student populations

In this document, only curriculum and assessment standards will be discussed.

Curriculum Standard

A *curriculum standard* is a set of learner expectations for a module, course, or grade level of a program. The curriculum standards for Mathematics 24 are defined by the general learner expectations outlined on page 7 of the Course of Studies, and the specific learner expectations outlined on pages 16 to 26 of the Course of Studies.

Learner Expectations

General learner expectations are concise statements identifying what it is that students are expected to know, be able to do, and be like upon completion of a module, course, or grade level of a program.

Specific learner expectations are the component knowledge, skills, and attitudes that contribute to general learner expectations. Specific learner expectations identify a range of contexts in which the general learner expectations apply.

Assessment Standards

Assessment standards are the criteria used for judging individual student achievement relative to the curriculum standards and are noted in the assessment standard section of this document. Assessment standards have three components:

- *Criteria* are descriptors of student performance that indicate a standard has been met. Specific criteria may take on the form of task-specific criteria for a particular question or general scoring criteria used in assessing performance on a range of tasks.
- *Examples* are evidence of the quality of student work.
- *Guidelines for assessment and reporting* consist of information and advice for educators, to ensure consistency in assessment and reporting.

Assessment Instrument

An *assessment instrument* is a group of questions or tasks given to students to ascertain whether or not each has met the requirements of the acceptable standard or the standard of excellence.

Blueprint

A *blueprint* is a classification of the questions or tasks making up a particular assessment instrument. The classification may be in terms of question style (routine or non-routine), content sections (either topics or titles), or mathematical understandings (concepts, procedures, problem solving), or any other such classification.

Scoring Criteria

Scoring criteria consist of a set of descriptors of qualities of work for a particular extended-response question. These may later be converted to marks for reporting purposes.

Mathematical Understandings

The assessment of students' knowledge of *mathematical procedures* should provide evidence that they can:

- recognize when a procedure is appropriate
- give reasons for the steps in a procedure
- reliably and efficiently execute procedures
- verify the results of procedures empirically (e.g., using models) or analytically
- recognize correct and incorrect procedures
- generate new procedures and extend or modify familiar ones
- appreciate the nature and role of procedures in mathematics

The assessments of students' knowledge and understanding of *mathematical concepts* should provide evidence that they can:

- label, verbalize, and define concepts
- identify and generate examples and non-examples
- use models, diagrams, and symbols to represent concepts
- translate from one mode of representation to another
- recognize the various meanings and interpretations of concepts
- identify properties of a given concept and recognize conditions that determine a particular concept
- compare and contrast concepts

The assessments of students' ability to use mathematics in *solving problems* should provide evidence that they can:

- formulate problems
- apply a variety of strategies to solve problems
- solve problems
- verify and interpret results
- generalize solutions

(From *Curriculum and Evaluation Standards for School Mathematics*, National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, 1989, p. 209, 223, 228.)

Blueprint of the Assessment

Conceptual

General Learner Expectations	End-of-Course Exam question numbers	Performance Assessment task numbers
<i>The student:</i>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • demonstrates that geometric shapes and solids have mathematical attributes 	SR 7, 8	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • shows that geometric shapes and solids can be measured directly and indirectly using various techniques, instruments and units, and that the accuracy of any measurement is dependent upon the instrument being used, the individual doing the measurement and the need for precision 	SR 16, 19 WR 2	3
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • shows that pay received for work done can be calculated and that the deductions from gross pay can be determined 	SR 15, 26, 34, 35, 36 WR 1	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • understands that income tax will be paid by all workers and explains how the amount paid will depend upon a number of factors 	SR 25, 27 WR 1	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • shows how savings and chequing accounts with banks and other financial institutions are services that consumers can use to help manage their money 	SR 9 WR 3	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • shows that borrowing money is a consumer activity in which the use of someone else's money is bought and that the price is interest paid on the principal borrowed 	SR 32	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • explains that a mortgage is a loan used to purchase a residence 	SR 32	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • explains how household insurance is protection purchased from a company to cover losses incurred to a residence or its contents 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • explains how life insurance is a way to provide financial protection for dependents in case of death 	SR 28, 29, 30	

Mathematics 24**Procedural**

General Learner Expectations	End-of-Course Exam question numbers	Performance Assessment task numbers
<p><i>The student:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">uses skills in addition, subtraction, multiplication and division with whole numbers, integers and rational numbers to perform computations that can be done mentally, with paper and pencil, and with electronic calculators, as appropriate to a particular situation	SR 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 WR 4	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">shows that rounding, estimation and approximation are fundamental to facility in calculation	SR 18 WR 4	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">checks an answer for reasonableness and accuracy, with the level of accuracy required dependent upon the particular situation	WR 2, 4	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">estimates the approximate cost of building a new house from known measures and costs	SR 31	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">represents a residence by a scale drawing, which can then be measured and used for various purposes	SR 17	3
<ul style="list-style-type: none">uses a personal budget to maintain records of expenditure and plan for the future	SR 11, 12, 13 WR 1	

Problem-Solving

General learner expectations	End-of-Course Exam question numbers	Performance Assessment task numbers
<i>The student:</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="114 427 699 486">• explains how credit cards provide consumers with instant loans 		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="114 528 681 587">• calculates and displays the costs associated with purchasing a motor vehicle 		2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="114 627 681 686">• calculates and displays the costs associated with operating a vehicle 		2
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="114 716 786 757">• calculates and displays the costs associated with traveling 	SR 10, 14, 20, 21, 22	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="114 782 758 865">• explains and gives examples of how consumers can obtain the best value for their money by the application of some wise spending practices 	SR 23, 24	1

Description of Standards

The *Course of Studies* for Mathematics 24 states that the content consists of topics required of all students who take the course. This required content contains the concepts, skills, and attitudes that all students are expected to acquire, as well as specific expectations for problem solving and the use of technology. For complete details of the Mathematics 24 course, refer to the *Course of Studies*.

The *Course of Studies* also states that “evaluation of students in the Senior High School Mathematics program will involve assessment of the level of achievement of **all of the learner expectations, including concepts, skills and attitudes, as well as problem-solving and technological expectations**.”

The assessment standards for Mathematics 24 include an acceptable and an excellent level of performance. Students’ performance should be measured on a range of tasks, some designed to focus on routine and obvious tasks in familiar contexts and others designed to focus on non-routine tasks in unfamiliar contexts.

Acceptable Standard

The *acceptable standard* in Mathematics 24 would be obtained by students who receive a course mark between and including 50% and 79%. Typically, these students have gained new skills and a basic knowledge of the concepts and procedures relative to the general and specific learner expectations defined in the Mathematics 24 *Course of Studies*. These students can apply this knowledge to a limited range of familiar problem contexts. The *acceptable standard* identifies the degree to which learner expectations must be met for students to be successful in the demands placed in the context of on-the-job training for entry-level positions, or in the context of some of the apprenticeship trades.

Standard of Excellence

The *standard of excellence* for Mathematics 24 would be obtained by students who receive a course mark at or above 80%. Typically, these students have gained a breadth and depth of knowledge of the concepts and procedures, and the ability to apply this knowledge to a broad range of familiar and unfamiliar problem contexts. This standard signifies high-quality performance relative to the general and specific learner expectations in the Mathematics 24 *Course of Studies*. The *standard of excellence* identifies the degree to which learner expectations must be met for students to excel in the demands placed in the context of on-the-job training for entry-level positions, or in the context of some of the apprenticeship trades. Students who meet the *standard of excellence* can also be expected to succeed in courses that require competencies similar to those expected in courses such as Mathematics 13.

Students have reached the acceptable standard if they are able to consistently complete acceptable work on routine and obvious tasks in familiar contexts.

Students have reached the standard of excellence if they are able to consistently complete excellent work on routine and obvious tasks in familiar contexts and acceptable work on non-routine tasks in unfamiliar contexts.

Details of the relationship of assessment standards to curricular learner expectations follow.

Relationship of Assessment Standards to General Learner Expectations

Mathematical Concepts

Students relate numerical, geometric, and statistical concepts to model and solve simple mathematical problems.

Acceptable Standard

Students who meet the *acceptable standard* in Mathematics 24 have a **basic** understanding of the concepts outlined in the *Course of Studies*. They demonstrate their understanding in diagram and word forms, and can translate from one form to another. For example, students meeting the *acceptable standard*

- can show that workers who worked 150 hours at \$9.50 per hour, and having 21% of their pay used for deductions, will have a take-home pay of \$1 125.75
- construct a personal budget from detailed knowledge of monthly income, deductions from monthly income, fixed expenses, and discretionary expenses

To meet the *acceptable standard*, students communicate mathematical situations in an **understandable** way, using numbers, diagrams, and appropriate everyday and mathematical terms. They understand mathematical questions presented with objects, diagrams, or numbers in **familiar** contexts, and construct mathematical models by **translating words into suitable numbers**.

Standard of Excellence

Students who meet the *standard of excellence* in Mathematics 24 have a **thorough** understanding of the concepts outlined in the *Course of Studies*. They demonstrate their understanding in diagram, word, and symbol forms, and can translate from one form to another. For example, students meeting the *standard of excellence*

- analyze a statement of earnings and deductions, and check each number for accuracy
- modify a personal budget to accommodate changed personal circumstances, such as moving away from home, getting married, or returning to school.

To meet the *standard of excellence*, students communicate about mathematical situations in a **clear** way, using numbers, diagrams, and the appropriate mathematical terms. They understand mathematical questions presented with objects, diagrams, or numbers in **familiar and unfamiliar contexts**, and construct mathematical models by **translating words into suitable numbers, diagrams, and tables**.

Mathematical Procedures

Students carry out single-step and multi-step procedures to obtain estimated and exact solutions to everyday mathematical problems.

Acceptable Standard

Students who meet the *acceptable standard* in Mathematics 24 have a fluency in carrying out the **most common** procedures outlined in the *Course of Studies*. For example, students meeting the *acceptable standard*

- calculate the closing balance of a chequing account by taking the opening balance, adding the total deposits, and subtracting the total of cheques, withdrawals, and bank charges
- determine that, given land costs of \$2 700 per metre and construction cost of $\$725/\text{m}^2$, the cost of purchasing a 108 m^2 house on a 17 m lot is \$124 200
- calculate the perimeter of a parallelogram whose sides are 11.6 cm and 21.9 cm is 67.0 cm
- estimate that the sum of \$11.3 billion and \$491 million is approximately \$11.8 billion

Students meeting the *acceptable standard* perform the mathematical operations and procedures that are fundamental to daily living contexts.

Standard of Excellence

Students who meet the *standard of excellence* in Mathematics 24 have a fluency in the **full range** of the procedures outlined in the *Course of Studies*. For example, students meeting the *standard of excellence*

- calculate a credit card closing balance, given an opening balance, purchases, payments on account, and interest charges, using current interest rates
- determine the minimum qualifying income for a 108 m^2 house on a 17 m lot where land costs are \$2 700 per metre and construction costs are $\$725/\text{m}^2$, using current interest rates and a 10% down-payment
- calculate the length of wallpaper, 90 cm wide, needed to cover an area of 7.65 m^2
- estimate the numerical value of $\frac{21.4}{14.2 \times (31.6 - 27.0)}$ and verify the estimate using a calculator

Students meeting the *standard of excellence* perform the mathematical operations and procedures that are fundamental to daily living contexts, and **provide alternative solution procedures to verify results**.

Problem Solving

Students solve consumer and everyday problems by using different mathematical procedures and strategies, employing both numerical and geometrical methods.

Acceptable Standard

Students who meet the *acceptable standard* in Mathematics 24 have a **basic understanding of some routine, problem-solving applications** of the required content outlined in the *Course of Studies*. For example, students meeting the *acceptable standard*

- show how the cost of gasoline for a journey depends on the distance travelled, the fuel economy of the vehicle, and the cost of 1 L of gasoline
- show that the cost of a \$17.00 restaurant meal outside Alberta is approximately \$22.00 after adding 13.5% tax and 15% tip

To meet the *acceptable standard*, students are expected to communicate mathematical situations in an **understandable way**, using numbers, diagrams, and appropriate everyday terms.

Students meeting the *acceptable standard* apply what they know in solving **straightforward problems in familiar settings** and in analyzing simple mathematical models. They describe the steps they used to solve a particular problem, and to defend their solution to the problem.

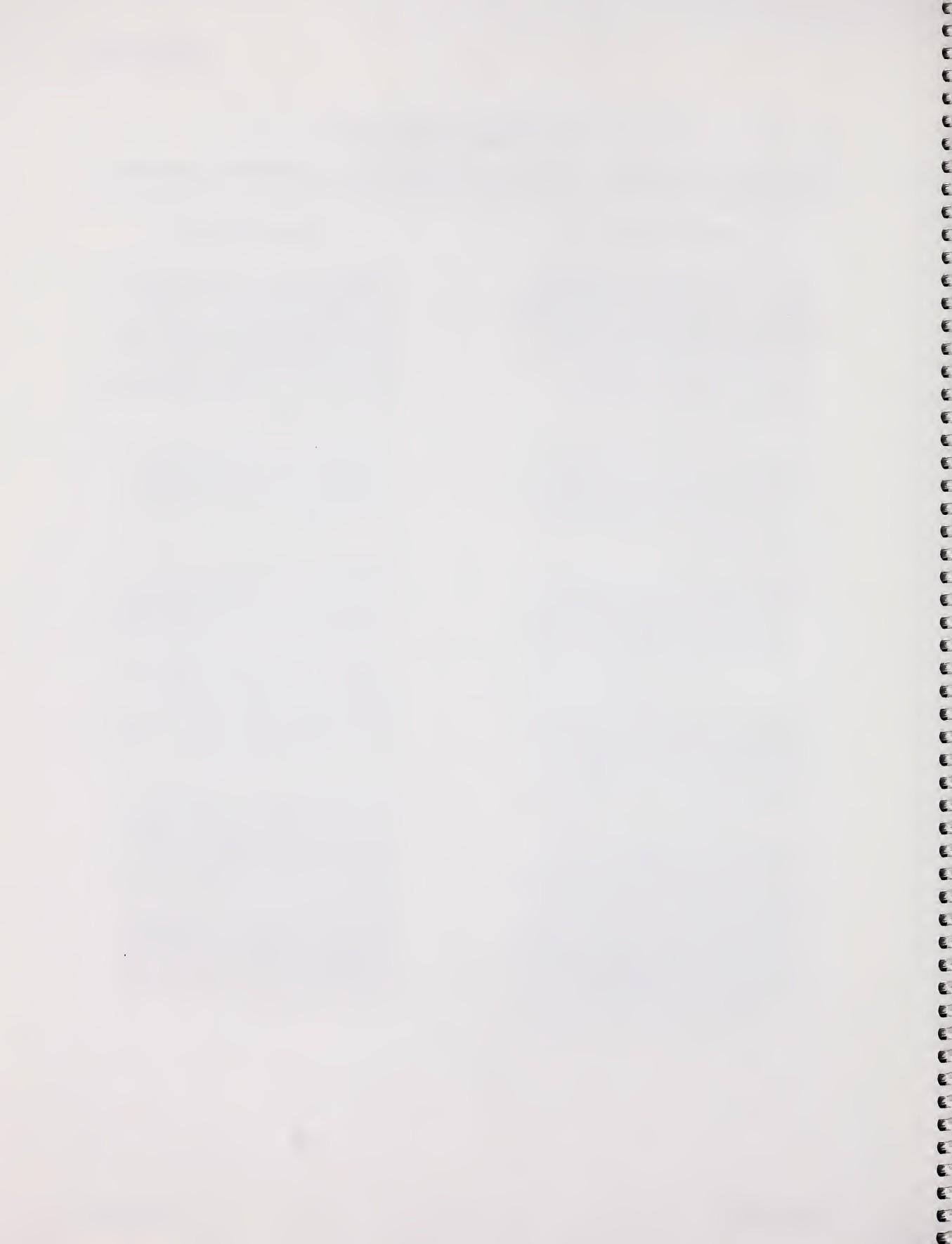
Standard of Excellence

Students who meet the *standard of excellence* in Mathematics 24 have a **thorough understanding of both routine and non-routine problem-solving applications** of the required content outlined in the *Course of Studies*. For example, students meeting the *standard of excellence* can

- gather data to find the cost of operating a car for a year, and to display the data in bar and circle graph forms
- calculate the sales needed by a commission salesperson to earn a take-home income of \$4 200 per month after expenses and deductions

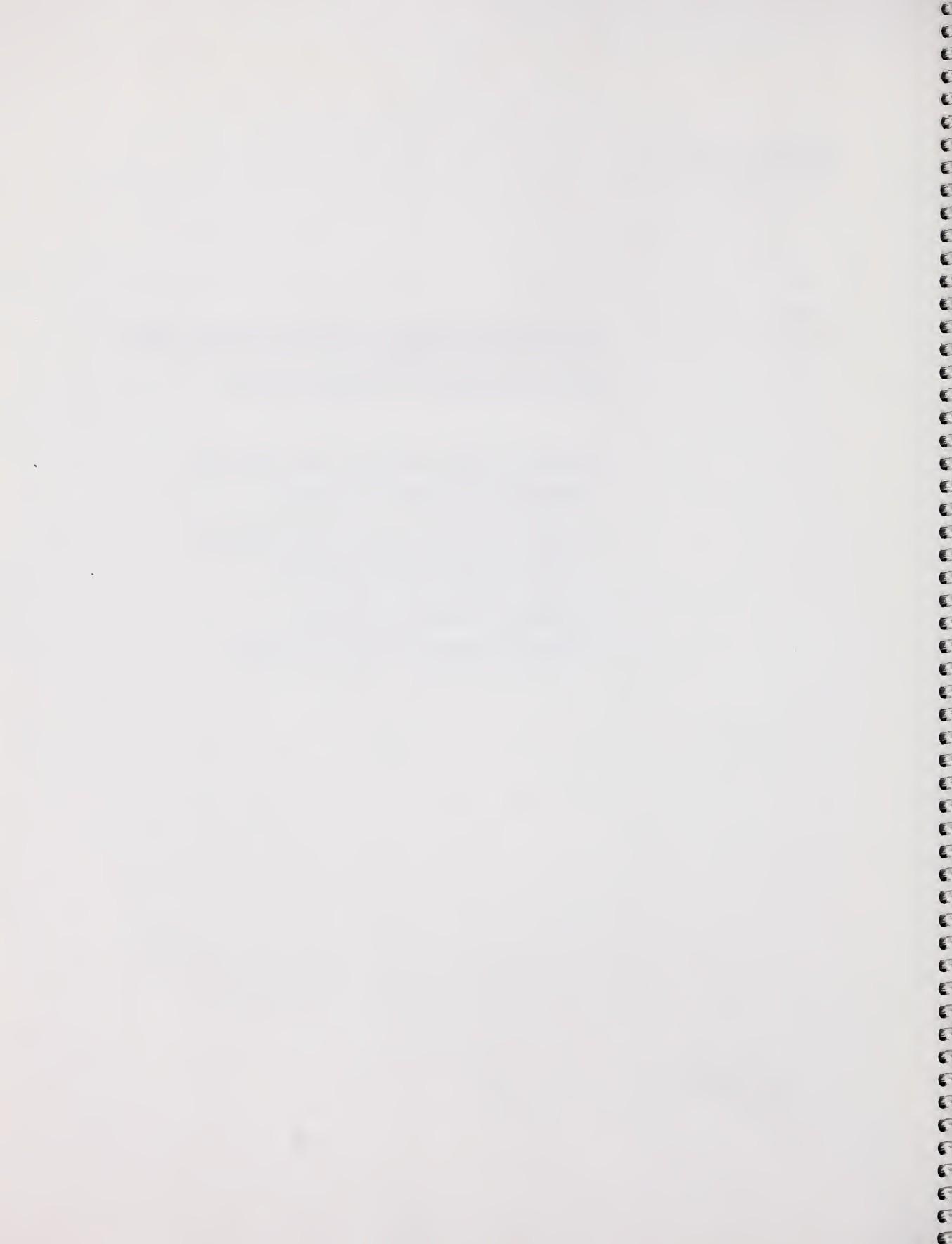
To meet the *standard of excellence*, students communicate mathematical situations in a **clear way**, using numbers, diagrams, symbols, and any relevant mathematical terms.

Students meeting the *standard of excellence* apply what they know in solving **routine and non-routine problems in a broad range of settings**. They describe the steps they used to solve a particular problem, defend their solution to the problem, and, **where appropriate, provide alternative solution procedures to verify results**.



Administering and Scoring the Assessment Components

- ***General Scoring Criteria for Mathematical Content***
- ***General Scoring Criteria for Communication Skills***
- ***End-of-Course Exam***
- ***Performance Assessment***



General Scoring Criteria for Mathematical Content

These scoring criteria should be shared with students so that they are fully familiar with these criteria before they participate in the assessment. These criteria are used as a basis for the task-specific scoring criteria that are used to assess students' responses to particular extended-response items, whether written-response questions or performance tasks.

Scale score	Criteria
5	Complete answer, with supporting detail shown. Final answers are correct, and the communication is readily understandable.
4	Complete answer, but with minor errors present. Final answers may be incorrect, and the communication may lack some clarity.
3	Either a partial answer that is complete and correct as far as it goes, and represents a major step in the solution of the question; or a complete answer that has one major error or many minor errors present but does indicate the full intended scope of the question.
2	Either a partial answer that is complete and correct (except for minor errors) as far as it goes, and represents a major step in the solution of the question; or more than one correct answer, with no supporting detail; or a complete answer that has one major error and many minor errors present, but does indicate either the full intended scope of the question or a strategy that could produce a complete response to the question.
1	Either one correct answer, with no supporting detail; or a significant start made to the problem.
0	Either off-topic; or an incorrect answer with no supporting detail; or a fatal error present. Fatal errors, whether conceptual or procedural, are those errors that destroy the integrity of the original question, often making it completely trivial; or a blank paper.

General Scoring Criteria for Communication Skills

These scoring criteria should be shared with students so that they are fully familiar with these criteria before they participate in the assessment. These scoring criteria are used as a basis for the task-specific scoring criteria that are used to assess students' responses to particular performance tasks.

The scores on this scale must be assigned **independently** of the scores on the mathematical content scale.

Scale score	Criteria
3	A clear solution that includes all relevant elements, such as hypotheses, data tables, and graphs, shows the results of any computations in a systematic, ordered manner, and includes full concluding statements. The solution generally respects the normal conventions of mathematical communications in such matters as arrangement of data tables, axis labelling, graph drawing, and graph titling. Few, if any, gaps are left to be filled in by the reader.
2	A solution that includes some of the relevant elements, such as hypotheses, data tables, and graphs, shows the results of any computations in some manner, and includes some form of concluding statement. The solution makes an attempt to respect the normal conventions of mathematical communications in such matters as arrangement of data tables, axis labelling, graph drawing, and graph titling. Some gaps are left to be filled in by the reader.
1	A solution that may provide a data table, shows the results of any computations in a somewhat disorganized manner, and may not even include any form of concluding statement. The solution makes little attempt to respect the normal conventions of mathematical communications in such matters as arrangement of data tables, axis labelling, graph drawing, and graph titling. Large gaps are left to be filled in by the reader.
0	Either insufficient evidence of communication skills; or a numerical answer (correct or incorrect) with no supporting calculations; or a blank paper.

End-of-Course Exam***Administration***

This requires two hours of class time and is a closed-book exam. Students are **not** given a formula sheet and must provide their own calculator. They are expected to work on their own.

Item Summary

ITEM #	MARK VALUE	ANSWER	QUESTION STYLE	ITEM #	MARK VALUE	ANSWER	QUESTION STYLE
SR 1	1	C	basic	SR 19	1	B	basic
2	1	C	basic	20	1	D	basic
3	1	D	basic	21	1	C	basic
4	1	C	basic	22	1	D	complex
5	1	D	basic	23	1	C	basic
6	1	A	basic	24	1	A	basic
7	1	C	basic	25	1	B	basic
8	1	A	basic	26	1	B	complex
9	1	A	basic	27	1	D	basic
10	1	A	complex	28	1	A	basic
11	1	B	basic	29	1	D	complex
12	1	B	basic	30	1	B	basic
13	1	D	basic	31	1	A	basic
14	1	C	complex	32	1	B	complex
15	1	B	complex	33	1	B	complex
16	1	C	basic	34	1	A	basic
17	1	C	basic	35	1	D	basic
18	1	B	basic	36	1	C	basic

WR 1	5		4 basic; 1 complex
2	5		3 basic; 2 complex
3	5		5 basic
4	5		2 basic; 3 complex

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Mathematics 24 – Continued

By Question Type

QUESTION TYPE	MARKS	PERCENT EMPHASIS
Selected Response	36	64
Written Response	20	36

By Question Style

QUESTION STYLE	MARKS	PERCENT EMPHASIS
Basic or Routine	42	75
Complex or Non-Routine	14	25

Written Response 1: Student Task and Solution

- (5 marks) 1. Janice graduated from school and found a job paying \$11.75 per hour for 150 hours of work per month. She calculated that she had 18% of her salary deducted from her monthly paycheques.
- Calculate Janice's gross income before deductions.

Solution

$$150 \times \$11.75 = \$1\,762.50 \text{ before deductions}$$

- Calculate Janice's monthly take-home pay.

Solution

Deductions are 18% of \$1 762.50 or \$317.25

$$\text{Monthly take-home} = \text{gross} - \text{deductions} = \$1\,762.50 - \$317.25$$

Monthly take-home pay is \$1 445.25

- Janice has to pay off her five-year student loan at \$214.50 per month. She wants to pay no more than one third of the rest of her paycheque for her rent. What is the **maximum** monthly rent that she can afford?

Solution

Student loan is taken off first, so $\$1\,445.25 - \214.50 is left

This is \$1 230.75, and so the maximum rent is one third of this, or \$410.25.

Janice can afford a maximum of \$410 monthly for rent

Task-Specific Scoring Criteria for Written Response 1

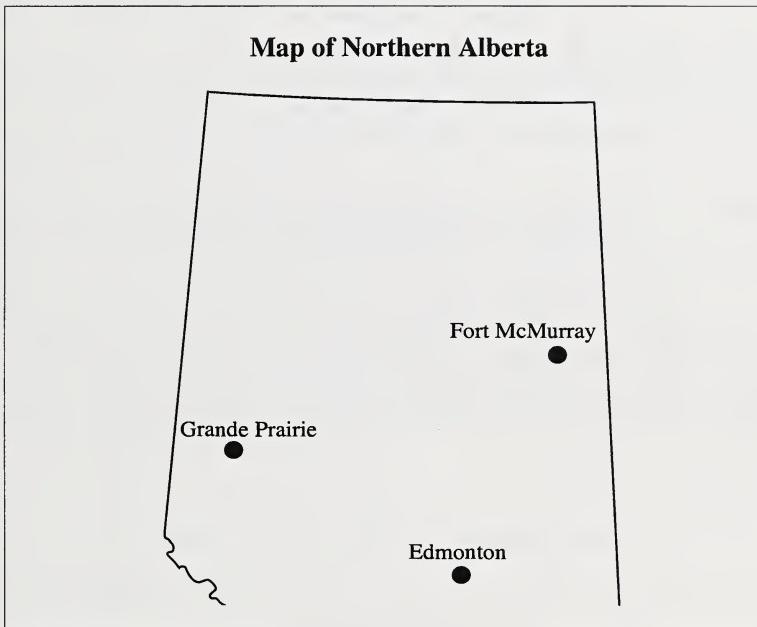
Scale score	Criteria
5	Complete answer, with supporting detail shown. Final answers are correct, and the communication is readily understandable.
4	Complete answer to all parts, but with minor procedural errors present in one of the three parts. Incorrect final answers must be reasonable, but the communication may lack some clarity.
3	Either a complete answer to all parts, but with minor procedural errors present in one or more of the three parts. Incorrect final answers may be unreasonable, and the communication may lack some clarity; or a complete, correct answer to parts a. and b., with part c. started, but little progress made in part c.
2	Either correct answers to parts a. and b., with or without supporting detail shown, followed by a blank part c.; or an answer showing a strategy that could be used to answer the full question, but that shows little accuracy in carrying out the strategy.
1	Either a correct answer to any single part, with or without supporting detail; or an answer showing a significant step in the solution process, such as the relationship between gross and take-home pay, or the use of the one third factor for rent, or a similar sized step.
0	Either off-topic; or an incorrect answer to a single part, with no supporting detail; or a blank paper.

Written Response 2: Student Task and Solution

- (5 marks) 2. The following table shows the kilometres between three major cities in Alberta.

From/To	Grande Prairie	Fort McMurray	Edmonton
Grande Prairie	0	720	460
Fort McMurray	720	0	445
Edmonton	460	445	0

The map of northern Alberta, with the three cities marked on it, is found below.



- a. How much **distance** is saved in travelling from Grande Prairie to Fort McMurray by the direct route, rather than going through Edmonton?

Solution

Direct route: 720 km

Via Edmonton: $460 \text{ km} + 445 \text{ km} = 905 \text{ km}$

Distance saved by direct route = $905 \text{ km} - 720 \text{ km} = 185 \text{ km}$

- b. If a car can average 90 km/h when travelling by the direct route, and average 100 km/h going through Edmonton, how much **time** is saved by travelling by the direct route?

Solution

$$\text{Time on direct route} = (720 \text{ km})/(90 \text{ km/h}) = 8.00 \text{ h}$$

$$\text{Time via Edmonton} = (905 \text{ km})/(100 \text{ km/h}) = 9.05 \text{ h}$$

$$\text{Time saved} = 9.05 \text{ h} - 8.00 \text{ h} = \mathbf{1.05 \text{ h or } 1 \text{ h } 3 \text{ min or } 63 \text{ min}}$$

Task-Specific Scoring Criteria for Written Response 2

Scale score	Criteria
5	Complete answer to both parts, with supporting detail shown. Final answers are correct, and the communication is readily understandable.
4	Complete answer to both parts but with minor errors present. Final answers must be reasonable, but the communication may lack some clarity. Included in the minor errors is the use of the 100-minute hour for conversion from hours to minutes.
3	Either a complete and correct answer to part b., starting from an answer to part a. that shows no understanding of map reading; or a complete answer to both parts, with procedural errors present. Final answers are sometimes unreasonable, and the communication lacks clarity.
2	Either a complete and correct answer to part a., with no effective work on part b.; or an answer containing major procedural errors, but that shows a strategy that can be used to answer both parts of the question completely.
1	Either a correct answer to either part, with no supporting detail; or a significant start made to the solution of the problem. Examples of significant starts include, but are not limited to, reading the distance chart, using the connections among speed, distance, and time, and recognizing the difference between direct and indirect distances between Grande Prairie and Fort McMurray.
0	Either off-topic, or an incorrect answer to part a., with no supporting detail; or a blank paper.

Written Response 3: Student Task and Solution

(5 marks)

3. Jorge is looking at his monthly bank statement. His opening balance at the beginning of the month was \$725.90. He deposited two paycheques, each for \$1 147.78, and one tax refund cheque for \$561.20. He wrote 17 cheques, totalling \$1 476.25, and made 9 bank machine withdrawals totalling \$475.00.
- a. Before any service charges were taken out, what was Jorge's balance at the end of the month?

Solution

Opening balance: \$725.90

Deposits: $\$1\ 147.78 + \$1\ 147.78 + \$561.20 = \$2\ 856.76$

Withdrawals: $\$1\ 476.25 + \$475.00 = \$1\ 951.25$

Closing balance $= \text{opening balance} + \text{deposits} - \text{withdrawals}$
 $= \$725.90 + \$2\ 856.76 - \$1\ 951.25$

Closing balance is \$1 631.41 before service charges

- b. The service charges are 60 cents for each cheque written and 35 cents for each bank machine withdrawal made. There are no service charges for deposits. How much did Jorge pay in service charges, and what was his final bank balance at the end of the month?

Solution

Service charges are 17×0.60 for the cheques and 9×0.35 for the bank machine withdrawals or \$13.35 in total

Final bank balance $= \text{closing balance} - \text{service charges}$
 $= \$1\ 631.41 - \$13.35, \text{ or } \$1\ 618.06$

His final bank balance = \$1 618.06

Task-Specific Scoring Criteria for Written Response 3

Scale score	Criteria
5	Complete answer to both parts, with supporting detail shown. Final answers are correct, and the communication is readily understandable.
4	Complete answer to both parts, but with minor procedural errors present. Final answers may be incorrect, but must be reasonable, and the communication may lack some clarity.
3	Either an answer to part a. or part b. that is complete and correct, with supporting detail shown, and communicated in a readily understandable form; or a complete answer to both parts of the question that has one major error or many minor errors present, but that shows an understanding of the relationship among opening and closing balances, the total deposits, the cheques and withdrawals, and the bank service charges. Final answers, if given, are often unreasonable.
2	Either an answer to part a. that is complete with supporting detail shown. Final answers may be incorrect, and the communication may lack some clarity; or an answer to either part of the question that has one major error or many minor errors present, but that shows some understanding of the relationships among opening and closing balances, the total deposits, the cheques and withdrawals, and the bank service charges. Final answers, if given, are often unreasonable. or a supported answer to part b. that follows from an unsupported part a. answer.
1	Either a correct answer to either part, with no supporting detail; or a significant start made to the solution of the problem. Significant starts include, but are not limited to, adding deposits to the opening balance, subtracting withdrawals, cheques or bank charges from the opening balance, calculating the cheque charges or calculating the bank machine charges.
0	Either off-topic; or an incorrect answer to any part, with no supporting detail; or a blank paper.

Written Response 4: Student Task and Solution

(5 marks)

4. The calculation to be done is $\frac{21.6}{12.3 \times (14.5 - 7.9)}$.

- a. Use your calculator to find the result, and explain how you did this calculation on your calculator.

Your explanation can be

either

a listing, in order, of the keystrokes used

or

an explanation of the reasoning used in doing the calculation.

Solution

1. **Using a scientific calculator:**

$21.6 \div (12.3 \times (14.5 - 7.9)) =$ giving a **final answer of 0.266075**

2. **Using a four-function calculator:**

$14.5 - 7.9 = \times 12.3 = M+$, putting 81.18 into the memory

$21.6 \div MR =$, giving a **final answer of 0.266075**

- b. Estimate the result, and indicate using words, charts, or formulas how you did the estimate.

Solution

Numerator is about 22, while the denominator is about 84 (12 times 7)

Final answer is about 0.25 (**friendly fraction 20/80 is close to 22/84**)

Task-Specific Scoring Criteria for Written Response 4

Scale score	Criteria
5	Complete answer to both parts, with supporting detail shown. Final answers are correct, and the communication is readily understandable.
4	Complete answer to both parts, but may have minor errors present. Either final answers may be incorrect, and the communication may lack some clarity; or final numerical answers to both parts are correct, but inadequately supported.
3	Either a complete answer that has one major error or many minor errors present, but that indicates the estimate, the calculation, the order of operations, and the written explanations in support; or final numerical answers to both parts are correct, but unsupported by any written explanation; or a correct numerical answer to part a. with full supporting detail but no valid estimation process shown in part b.
2	Either a reasonable estimate to part b., with supporting detail; or a correct numerical answer to part a., with no supporting detail in part a. and no estimate in part b.; or a complete answer that has one major error or many minor errors present, but that indicates some of the processes of estimation, calculation, selection of the order of operations, and includes some written explanations in support.
1	Either a reasonable estimate to part b., with no supporting detail; or a significant start made to the solution of the problem. Examples of significant starts include, but are not limited to, attempts at explaining estimates, and awareness of the order of operations in the calculation strategy used.
0	Either off-topic; or an unreasonable estimate in part b., with no supporting detail; or a blank paper.

Performance Assessment

Administration

This requires 1.5 hours of class time and is a closed-book examination. Students are expected to work on their own.

The room should be set up with one station for every three students. Students need to be at the station for the data gathering in Task 1, but can do the calculations for Task 1 at their desks. They can do everything for Tasks 2 and 3 at their desks.

Students will need a ruler and a sharp pencil for the drawings needed in Tasks 2 and 3.

Equipment needed (per station)

Measuring cylinder (100 mL or larger).....	1
Small cup A (anywhere from 200 mL to 350 mL)	1
Medium cup B (anywhere from 350 mL to 550 mL)	1
Large cup C (anywhere from 600 mL to 1100 mL)	1
Water supply	

The small cups do not have to be identical to each other; however, it makes marking this assessment easier if all the small cups are identical. The same applies to the medium cups and to the large cups. They can be purchased from many supermarkets, or obtained from soft drink outlets.

Classroom management

At the start of the testing period, about one third of the class should be sent up to gather data for Task 1. One student is to be sent to each station. The other two thirds of the students should be directed to start the assessment with either Task 2 or Task 3.

The data gathering should take a maximum of five minutes. After the initial group of students has completed their data gathering, other students can go up to any vacant station when they are ready.

Students should clean up their stations after they have finished gathering their data for Task 1.

Except for unusual circumstances, students should do their own measuring and data gathering in Task 1.

Task 1: Soft Drink Bargains

Student Task and Solution

Ahmed had noticed that the prices of his favourite soft drink varied considerably, as did the sizes of the containers. He collected the following data on prices and sizes.

Store name	Price for small pop	Price for medium pop	Price for large pop
Discount Joe	\$0.85 per 350 mL	\$1.29 per 550 mL	\$1.69 per 900 mL
Luigi's	\$0.79 per 300 mL	\$1.09 per 500 mL	\$1.29 per 750 mL
Taco Stand	\$0.59 for cup A	\$1.19 for cup B	\$1.89 for cup C

- a. Use a measuring cylinder to measure the volumes of each of the cups *A*, *B*, and *C*.

Solution

Cup *A* (small) = **224 mL** ; cup *B* (medium) = **455 mL** ; cup *C* (large) = **885 mL**

These were commercial (non-metric) 8, 16, and 32-ounce cups obtained from a supermarket. These cups will vary from place to place. Varying answers will cause the answers to part b. to vary.

- b. Determine the best price for each size of drink (small, medium, and large). Show your calculations.

Solution

Store Name	Price per litre for small pop	Price per litre for medium pop	Price per litre for large pop
Discount Joe	\$0.85 per 350 mL or \$2.429/L	\$1.29 per 550 mL or \$2.345/L	\$1.69 per 900 mL or \$1.878/L
Luigi's	\$0.79 per 300 mL or \$2.633/L	\$1.09 per 500 mL or \$2.18/L	\$1.29 per 750 mL or \$1.72/L
Taco Stand	\$0.59 for cup <i>A</i> or \$0.59 per 224 mL or \$2.634/L	\$1.19 for cup <i>B</i> or \$1.19 per 455 mL or \$2.615/L	\$1.89 for cup <i>C</i> or \$1.89 per 885 mL or \$2.136/L

Best buys are **bolded**, with Discount Joe being the best buy for a small pop, and Luigi's being the best buys for medium and large pops.

Task-Specific Scoring Criteria for Task 1

Mathematical Content Scale

Scale score	Criteria
5	A complete and correct solution based on unit prices or volumes per dollar, and including data obtained from the measured volumes of the three cups supplied.
4	Either a complete and correct solution for Diamond Joe's and Luigi's based on unit prices or volumes per dollar, including measurements of the three cups supplied, but not including the measured data in the calculations for Taco Stand; or a complete solution, using measurements in part a. and unit prices or volumes per dollar in part b., with the solution showing some inaccuracies in measurement or calculation.
3	Either a complete and correct solution for Diamond Joe's and Luigi's based on unit prices or volumes per dollar, but not including any measurements of the three cups supplied; or a complete solution, using measurements in part a. and unit prices or volumes per dollar in part b., with the solution showing many inaccuracies in measurement and calculation; or a complete set of measurements in part a., together with the calculation of at least one row or column of unit prices in part b.
2	Either a complete set of measurements in part a., with little progress in part b.; or a complete set of calculations for the three unit prices or three volumes per dollar for a row or a column in part b.
1	A significant start made to the problem, such as the measurement of the volume of one cup in part a., or the calculation of one unit price or volume per dollar in part b.
0	Either off-topic; or a blank paper.

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Mathematics 24 – Continued**Communication Skills Scale**

This scale is used **independently** of the *Mathematical Content* scale. A well-laid-out, systematic strategy with conclusions clearly stated can receive a scale score of 3, even if the comparison itself is based on data that contain gross errors in the calculations of the supporting numbers.

Scale score	Criteria
3	A clear solution that states explicitly the basis for comparison (either dollars per litre or millilitres per dollar), shows the results of computation in a systematic, ordered manner, and includes a full concluding statement. Few, if any, gaps are left for the reader to fill in.
2	A solution that states, by implication, the basis for comparison (either dollars per litre or millilitres per dollar), shows the results of computation in a relatively systematic manner, and may not include a full concluding statement. Some gaps are left for the reader to fill in, but the comparison methodology can be discerned.
1	An attempt has been made to communicate the comparison strategy, but nothing systematic is stated or implied. Calculations, when done, are arranged randomly, and the comparison methodology is not evident.
0	Either insufficient evidence of communication skills; or a blank paper.

Task 2: Operating a Car for a Year

Student Task and Solution

Roger kept good records of the costs of running his 1993 compact car for the calendar year 1995. He found the following costs:

Cost category	Costs incurred
Depreciation	\$2 650.00
Insurance and registration	\$840.00
Tires	4 at \$72.50 each
Oil changes	7 at \$32.95 each
Gasoline	3 100 L at 44.9 cents/litre
Repairs	\$115.00 for a tune-up \$277.50 for brakes
Parking	\$44.50 per month for 12 months
Washing	27 washes at \$4.25 each
Interest on borrowed money	\$1 145.00

- a. What was the total cost, to Roger, of running his car for the year?

Solution

$$\begin{aligned} \$2\,650 + \$840 + (4 \times \$72.50) + (7 \times \$32.95) + (3\,100 \times \$0.449) + \$115 \\ + \$277.50 + (12 \times \$44.50) + (27 \times \$4.25) + \$1\,145 = \$7\,588.80 \end{aligned}$$

Roger's total cost = \$7 588.80 for the year

- b. If the price of gasoline increased to 61.5 cents/litre, how much extra would it cost Roger to run his car for the year?

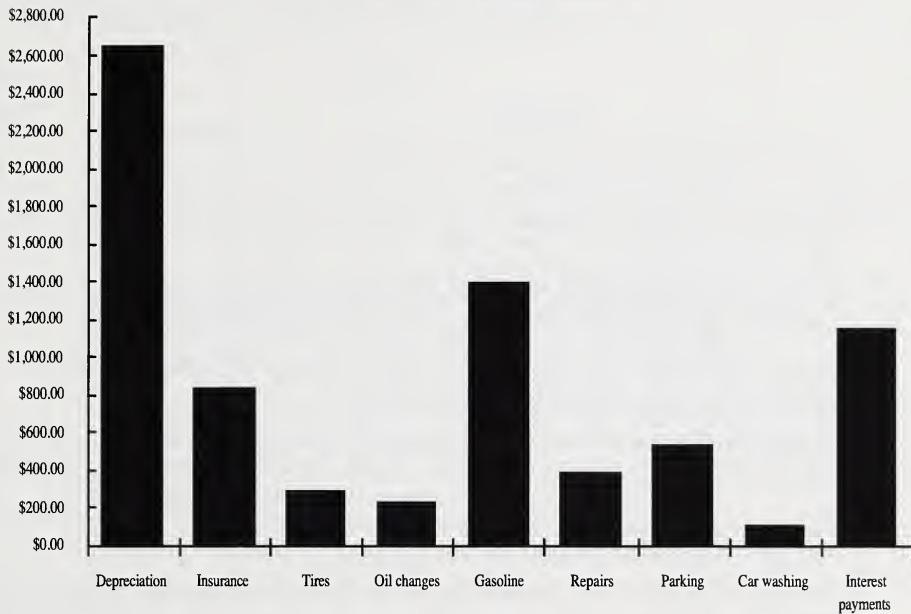
Solution

$$3\,100 \times (\$0.615 - \$0.449) = \$514.60 \text{ extra per year}$$

- c. Display the budget as a graph.

Solution

Cost of Running Car, by Category



Task-Specific Scoring Criteria for Task 2

Mathematical Content Scale

Scale score	Criteria
5	Complete and correct set of answers to parts a. and b., together with a bar graph in part c. that accurately represents these answers.
4	Either a complete and correct set of answers to parts a. and b., together with a bar graph in part c. that reasonably represents these answers; or a reasonable set of answers to the numerical calculations in parts a. and b., together with a bar graph in part c. that exactly represents these answers.
3	Either a complete and correct set of answers to parts a. and b., with little significant progress on the bar graph in part c.; or a reasonable set of answers to the numerical calculations in parts a. and b., together with a bar graph in part c. that approximately represents these answers.
2	Either a reasonable set of answers to the numerical calculations in parts a. and b., with little significant progress on the bar graph in part c.; or an unreasonable set of answers to the numerical calculations in parts a. and b., together with a bar graph in part c. that approximately represents these answers.
1	A significant start to the solution of the problem. Examples of significant starts include, but are not limited to, showing a totalling process in part a., multiplying a difference in gasoline prices by 3 100 in part b., and displaying a set of numbers of dollars in a bar graph form.
0	Either off-topic; or a blank paper.

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Mathematics 24 – Continued**Communication Skills Scale**

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Scale score	Criteria
3	A budget graph that is clearly drawn and fully labelled. There is evidence that the reader has been taken into account, and that the conventions of graph drawing, axis labelling, and computation of the numbers have been generally respected.
2	A budget graph that is drawn and labelled. Drawings may lack clarity and may be missing some labelling. There is some evidence that the reader has been taken into account. Conventions of graph drawing, axis labelling, and computation of the numbers have been respected only on an inconsistent basis.
1	An attempt has been made to communicate the budget, but the communication requires the reader to fill in many gaps in the drawing of the columns, the labelling of the axes, and the computation of the numbers. Generally difficult for the reader to understand.
0	Either insufficient evidence of communication skills; or a blank paper.

Task 3: House Floor Plans

Student Task and Solution

You have won \$200 000 in a lottery and decide to build a house. Because your grandfather will be coming to live with you, you decide to build a house on one level. The city council does not allow any basements, so there are no stairs in the house at all. There must be sufficient hallways and passages to allow for the easy movement of people through the house.

Make your house plan with main floor rooms of the following areas:

Room or area on main floor	Total area in square metres
Kitchen/dining room	36
Living/family room	72
2 bathrooms	15 in total
3 bedrooms	80 in total
Two-car garage	42
Hallways and passages	sufficient for easy movement of people

- a. What would be reasonable for the length and the width of the two- car garage?

Solution

7 m by 6 m. Other than 6 m by 7 m, there are few others that involve whole numbers of metres for length and width

- b. What could be reasonable for the length and the width of each of the three bedrooms, given that the bedrooms can be of different sizes and shapes?

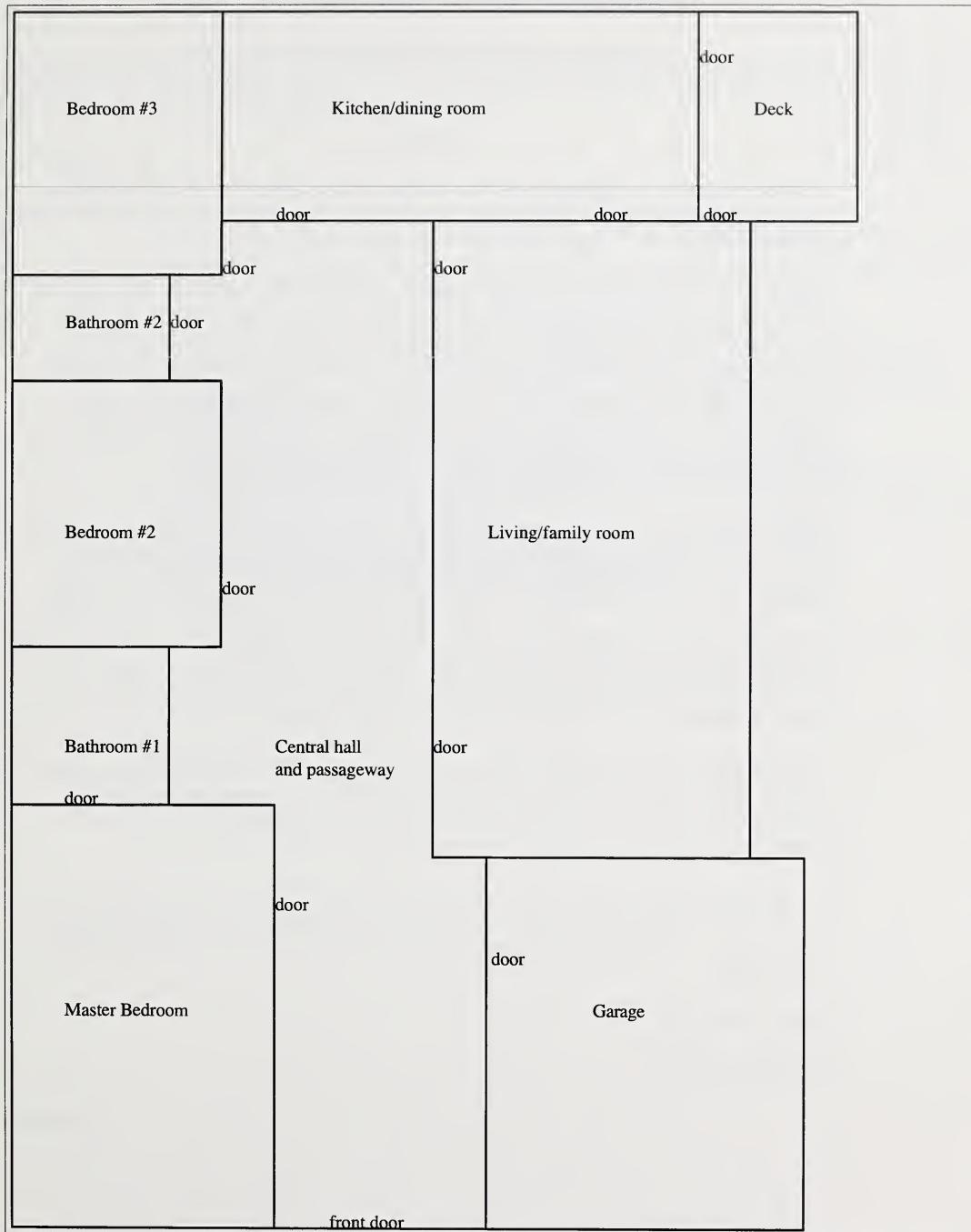
Solution

One possibility would be 8 m by 5 m for the master bedroom, and 5 m by 4 m for each of the other two bedrooms.

Here the number of possibilities is enormous, even including the convenient restriction of whole numbers for length and width.

- c. Draw an accurate house plan, using either one of the grids on the next two pages. Use a scale of 1 unit = 1 m in your plan. Your plan, which must be to scale, **must** include all doors and hallways, and provide **at least two** entrances to the house, one from the front and one through the garage. The garage **must** be attached to the house.

Note: The scale of 1 square = 1 m used in the pilot has been changed to 1 unit = 1 m.

Solution**Grid Scale 1 unit = 1 m**

Task-Specific Scoring Criteria for Task 3

Mathematical Content Scale

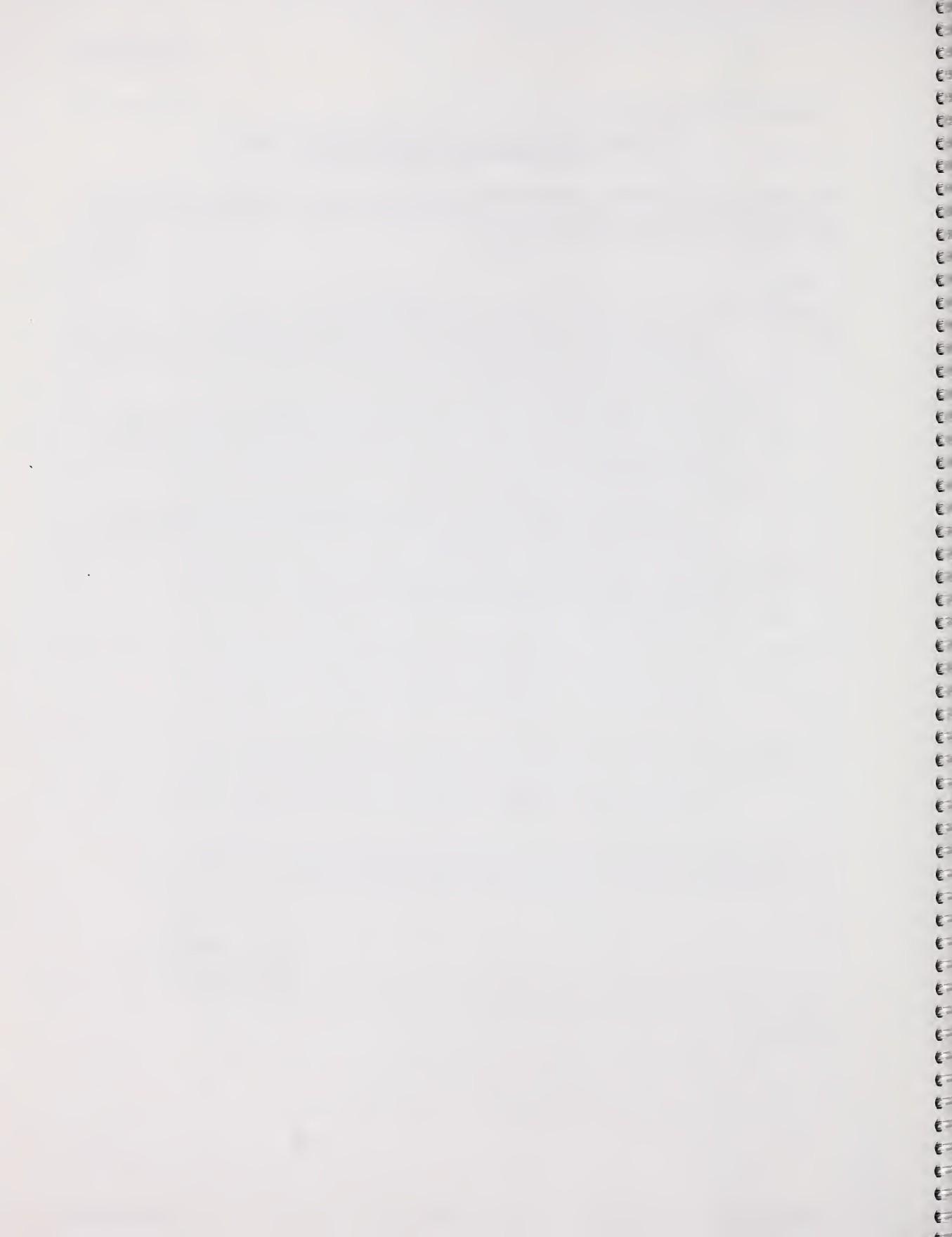
Scale score	Criteria
5	A house plan that incorporates all the design criteria asked for in the table, together with appropriate supporting calculations. The design should not have any obvious flaws.
4	Either a house plan that incorporates most of the design criteria asked for in the table, together with appropriate supporting calculations. The design should not have any obvious flaws, such as a garage that cannot fit two cars, insufficient hallway space, bathrooms that are attached to the garage, or other similar flaws; or a house plan that incorporates all the design criteria asked for in the table, together with appropriate supporting calculations. The design may have one obvious flaw, such as a garage that cannot fit two cars, insufficient hallway space, bathrooms that are attached to the garage, or other similar flaws.
3	Either a house plan that incorporates some of the design criteria asked for in the table, together with appropriate supporting calculations. The design should not have any obvious flaws, such as a garage that cannot fit two cars, insufficient hallway space, bathrooms that are attached to the garage, or other similar flaws; or a house plan that incorporates most of the design criteria asked for in the table, together with appropriate supporting calculations. The design may have one or two obvious flaws, such as a garage that cannot fit two cars, insufficient hallway space, bathrooms that are attached to the garage, or other similar flaws.
2	A house plan that incorporates some of the design criteria asked for in the table, with or without appropriate supporting calculations. The design may have some obvious flaws, such as a garage that cannot fit two cars, insufficient hallway space, bathrooms that are attached to the garage, or other similar flaws.
1	A significant start on the problem. Examples of significant starts include, but are not limited to, determining the dimensions of one or more rooms, placing one or more rooms on the house plan, and attaching the garage to the outside perimeter of the house.
0	Either off-topic; or a blank paper.

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Mathematics 24 – Continued**Communication Skills Scale**

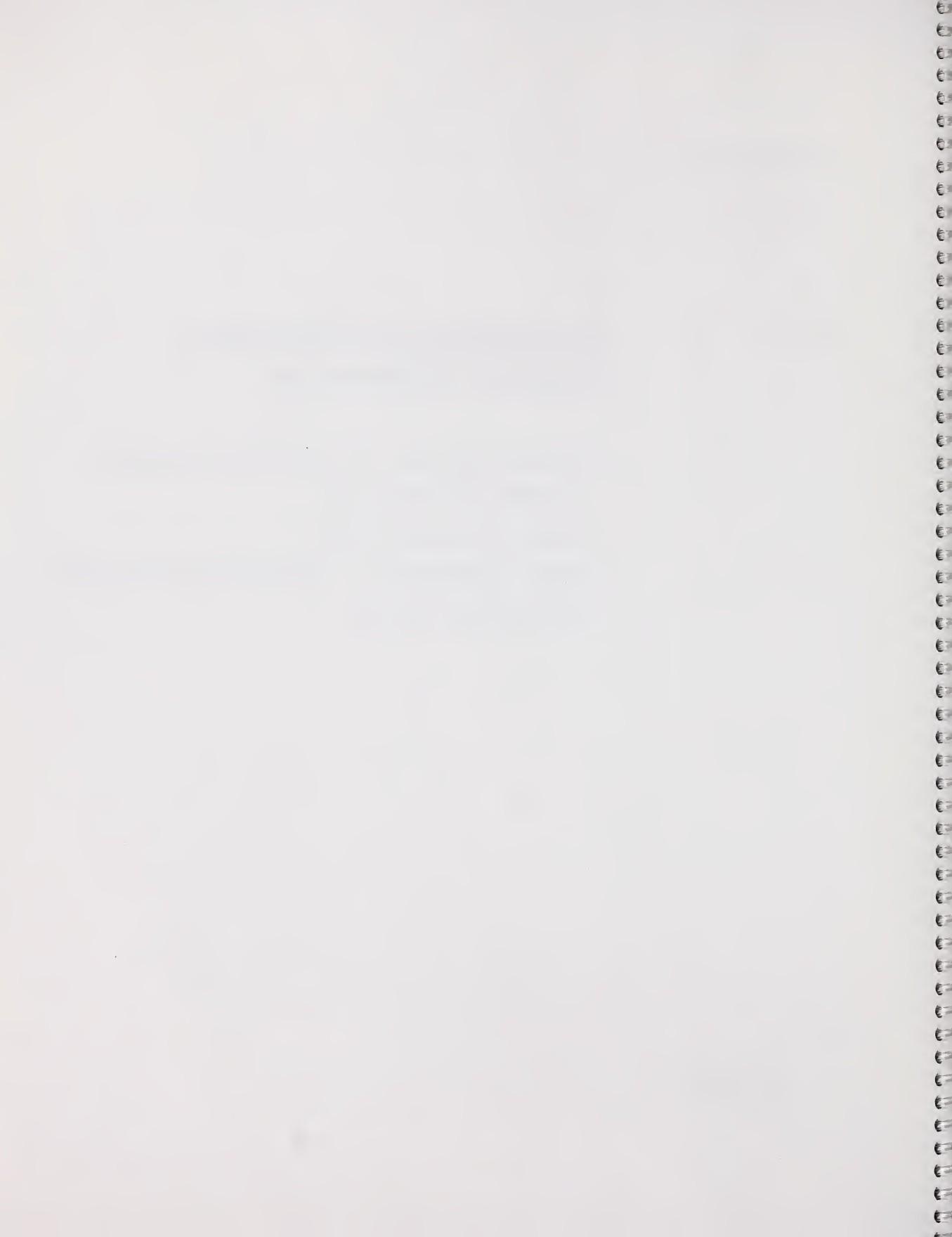
This scale is used **independently** of the *Mathematical Content* scale. A well-drawn, fully labelled drawing can receive a scale score of 3, even if the design itself has major flaws, such as a garage that is 21 m by 2 m and not attached to the house.

Scale score	Criteria
3	A house design plan that is clearly drawn and fully labelled. There is evidence that the reader has been taken into account, and that the conventions of scale drawing have been generally respected.
2	A house design plan that is drawn and labelled. Drawings may lack clarity and may be missing some labelling. There is little evidence that the reader has been taken into account. Conventions of scale drawing have been respected only on an inconsistent basis.
1	An attempt has been made to communicate the design, but the communication requires the reader to fill in many gaps in the drawing and the labelling. Generally difficult for the reader to understand.
0	Either insufficient evidence of communication skills; or a blank paper.



Calculating and Recording Student Achievement

- ***Standards for Overall Performance
on the Assessment***
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- ***Item Summary — Overall Assessment***
- ***Directing Words***



Standard for Overall Performance on the Assessment

Scoring criteria for each component of the assessment are provided in the teacher instructions for each component. Assessment standards for the overall performance of a student on the whole package are as follows:

Not Yet at Acceptable Standard (NS)	Acceptable Standard (AC)	Standard of Excellence (EX)
0-49% on the total score	50% - 79% on the total score	80% - 100% on the total score

Standards for the assessment were established and validated using the scoring criteria outlined for each task. If the tasks are scored using different criteria or used for purposes other than assessing achievement at the end of Mathematics 24, these standards may not be appropriate.

The standards for performance on the assessment apply to all students. Professional judgement should be used to make adjustments to administration procedures so that special needs students are able to demonstrate their best work.

Class Record Form

* The standards for this assessment package are as follows.

Not Yet at Acceptable Standard (NS)	Acceptable Standard (AC)	Standard of Excellence (EX)
0-49% on the total score	50% - 79% on the total score	80% - 100% on the total score

Item Summary – Overall Assessment

By Question Type

QUESTION TYPE	MARKS	PERCENT EMPHASIS
Selected Response	36	45
Written Response	20	25
Performance-Based	24	30

By Question Style

QUESTION STYLE	MARKS	PERCENT EMPHASIS
Basic or Routine	56	70
Complex or Non-Routine	24	30

Directing Words

Discuss

The word “discuss” will not be used as a directing word on mathematics classroom assessments because it is not used consistently to mean a single activity.

The following words are specific in meaning:

Contrast/Distinguish

Point out the *differences* between two things that have similar or comparable natures.

Compare

Show the character or relative values of two things by pointing out their similarities and differences.

Conclude

State a logical end based on reasoning and/or evidence.

Criticize

Point out the merits and demerits of an item or issue.

Define

Provide the essential qualities or meaning of a word or concept. Make distinct and clear by marking out the limits.

Describe

Give a written account or represent the characteristics of something by a figure, model, or picture.

Design/Plan

Construct a plan; i.e., a detailed sequence of actions for a specific purpose.

Enumerate

Specify one by one or list in concise form and according to some order.

Evaluate

Give the significance or worth of something by identifying the good and bad points or the advantages and disadvantages.

Explain

Make clear what is not immediately obvious or entirely known; give the cause of or reason for; make known in detail.

How

Show in what manner or way, and with what meaning.

Hypothesize

Form a tentative proposition intended as a possible explanation for an observed phenomenon; i.e., a possible cause for a specific effect. The proposition should be testable logically and/or empirically.

Identify

Recognize and select as having the characteristics of something.

Illustrate

Make clear by giving an example. The form of the example must be specified in the question; i.e., word description, sketch, or diagram.

Infer

Form a generalization from sample data; arrive at a conclusion by reasoning from evidence.

Interpret

Tell the meaning of something; present information in a new form that adds meaning to the original data.

Justify>Show How

Show reasons for or give facts that support a position.

Outline

Give, in an organized fashion, the essential parts of something. The form of the outline must be specified in the question; i.e., lists, flow charts, concept maps.

Predict

Tell in advance on the basis of empirical evidence and/or logic.

Prove

Establish the truth, validity, or genuineness of something by giving formal logical reasons.

Relate

Show logical or causal connection between things.

Show

Establish the truth, validity, or genuineness of something by giving reasons. The format of the demonstration can take various forms, from algebraic derivations and formal logic to geometrical and numerical examples.

Solve

Give a solution for a problem; i.e., explanation in words and/or numbers.

Summarize

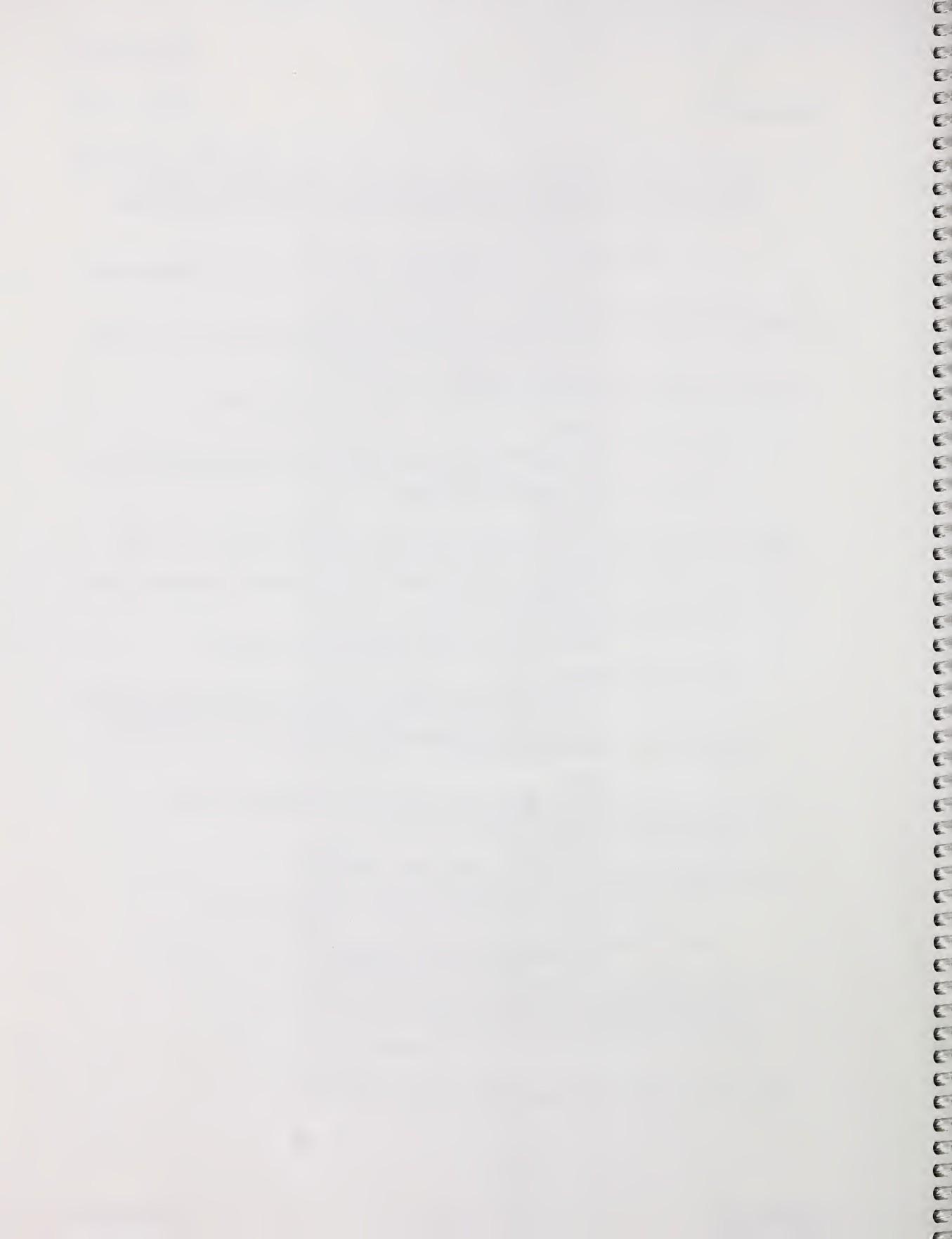
Give a brief account of the main points.

Trace

Give a step-by-step description of the development.

Why

Show the cause, reason, or purpose.





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